

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) An agent for evoking receptor potential, comprising an organic dye compound capable of evoking a receptor potential in response to photostimulation in the optic nerve.
2. (Original) The agent of claim 1, wherein said organic dye compound is a polymethine organic dye compound.
3. (Original) The agent of claim 1, which further contains a ophthalmologically acceptable carrier.
4. (Original) The agent of claim 2, wherein said polymethine organic dye compound is not *cis-trans* isomerized by photostimulation.
5. (Original) A substituent material for the retina, comprising the agent of claim 1.
6. (Original) The substituent material of claim 5, which further contains an ophthalmologically acceptable carrier.
7. (New) A method for evoking a receptor potential in response to photostimulation in the optic nerve, comprising applying to the eye an organic dye compound capable of evoking a

receptor potential in response to photostimulation in the optic nerve.

8. (New) The method according to claim 7 wherein said organic dye compound is a polymethine organic dye compound.

9. (New) The method of claim 7 wherein said organic dye compound is applied together with an ophthalmologically acceptable carrier.

10. (New) The method of claim 8 wherein said polymethine organic dye compound is not *cis-trans* isomerized by photostimulation.

11. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein said organic dye compound is applied as a substituent material for the retina.

12. (New) The method of claim 11 wherein said substituent material further comprises an ophthalmologically acceptable carrier.